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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Scott Valley Biomass Utilization Project in the Fiscal Year 2023 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development appropriations bill.

The sponsor for this project is the Northern California Resource Center located at 11236 N. Hwy 3, Fort Jones, CA 96032. The project itself does not have a specific location identified yet, but will be located within the Scott River watershed in Siskiyou County, California.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds as it will kickstart development of markets and promotion of forest products, creating a larger scale resilient forest landscape through hazardous fuel reduction and other forest health activities. Historically, and annually, northern California and Siskiyou County has a high occurrence of catastrophic wildfires. There are many rural communities and individuals that are underserved and economically challenged located in the high risk Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas. This project will simultaneously increase economic development and decrease the threat of catastrophic wildfires in Northern California.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Doug LaMalfa

Member of Congress

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